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McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 12, "An Act to amend Article 1905, Chapter 8, Title 37, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to the time when the answer in case of citation by publication shall be filed, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 4 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

TWENTY-FOURTH DAY.

(Friday, February 9, 1917.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Bagby.	Davis
Baker.	of Van Zandt.
Beard of Milam.	De Bogory.
Beasley.	Denton.
Beason.	Dodd.
Bedell.	Dudley.
Bell.	Dunnam.
Bertram.	Estes.
Blackburn.	Fairchild.
Blackmon.	Fisher.
Blalock.	Fitzpatrick.
Bland.	Florer.
Bledsoe.	Fly.
Boner.	Greenwood.
Brown.	Haidusek.
Bryan.	Hardey.
Bryant.	Harris.
Burton of Rusk.	Hartman.
Burton of Tarrant.	Hawkins.
Butler.	Hill.
Cadenhead.	Holland.
Canales.	Hudspeth.
Carlock.	Johnson.
Cates.	Jones.
Clark.	Laas.
Cope.	Lacey.
Cox.	Laney.
Crudgington.	Lange.
Davis of Dallas.	Lanier.
Davis of Grimes.	Lee.

Lindemann.	Scholl.
Lowe	Seawright.
of McMullen.	Sholars.
Low	Smith of Bastrop.
of Washington.	Smith of Hopkins.
McComb.	Smith of Scurry.
McCoy.	Spencer of Nolan.
McDowra.	Spradley.
McFarland.	Stewart.
McMillin.	Strayhorn.
Martin.	Swope.
Meador.	Taylor.
Mendell.	Templeton.
Metcalfe.	Terrell.
Miller of Dallas.	Thomas.
Monday.	Thomason
Morris.	of El Paso.
Murrell.	Thomason
Neeley.	of Nacogdoches.
Neill.	Thompson
Nichols.	of Hunt.
Nordhaus.	Thompson
O'Banion.	of Red River.
O'Brien.	Tillotson.
Osborne.	Tilson.
Parks.	Tinner.
Peddy.	Traylor.
Peyton.	Tschoepe.
Pillow.	Upchurch.
Ponge.	Valentine.
Pope.	Veatch.
Raiden.	Wahrmund.
Reeves.	Walker.
Richards.	White.
Robertson.	Williams
Roemer.	of Brazoria.
Rogers.	Williams
Russell.	of McLennan.
Sackett.	Williford.
Sallas.	Wilson.
Sentell.	Woods.
Schlesinger.	Woodul.
Schlosshan.	Yantis.

Absent.

Miller of Austin.

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris. Spencer of Wise.
Moore.

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

Bob Barker, Chief Clerk, was granted leave of absence for today and tomorrow, on account of important business, on motion of Mr. Jones.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read

severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Fisher and Mr. Holland (by request):

H. B. No. 618, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize cities of over five thousand in population to adopt or amend their charters by consolidation with an adjoining city in the same county under the name and government of the larger of said cities; authorizing the holding of joint elections by the qualified voters of said cities for the purpose of determining whether or not such consolidation shall take place; defining the term 'consolidation'; providing that in the event a majority of the qualified voters voting at such election in each of said cities shall vote in favor of consolidation the result shall be certified to the Secretary of State, and recorded by him, and providing for the recording of the returns of such elections by the officers of the respective cities; providing that all property and assets of such cities shall become the property of the consolidated city, which shall assume all outstanding liabilities against the territory consolidated; providing that the officials of the larger of said cities shall be the officials of the consolidated city, and that the offices theretofore existing in the smaller cities be abolished by consolidation; providing that if such cities have on hand any bond funds voted for public improvements such money shall be used for the purposes and in the territory for and by which voted, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Municipal Corporations.

By Mr. Dunnam:

H. B. No. 619, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent the selling of bass and white perch, or crappy, taken from the fresh waters in the county of Coryell, State of Texas; making it unlawful to use any dynamite or other explosives in the killing or catching of any fish in any of the fresh waters of said county, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof; prohibiting the use of any seine, drag net, trammel net or other net other than a minnow seine, which shall not be more than ten feet in length and the meshes of which shall not be smaller than one-fourth inch; limiting the number of fish to be taken in any one day; providing that the district judge of the judicial district in which Coryell county is situated shall

give a special charge upon this law to the grand juries of Coryell county; providing a penalty for the violation hereof, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Loye of McMullen:

H. B. No. 620, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Tilden Independent School District in McMullen county, Texas, and defining its boundaries, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Laney:

H. B. No. 621, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 69, Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, Regular Session, so as to enlarge the territory of the Hutchins Independent School District in Dallas county, Texas; and prescribing the metes and bounds thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Canales:

H. B. No. 622, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Lyford Independent School District in Cameron county, Texas, including the town of Lyford; defining its boundaries, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Wahrmond, Mr. Metcalfe, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Bledsoe, Mr. Dudley, Mr. Jones, Mr. Brown, Mr. Sholars, Mr. Lindemann, Mr. Monday, Mr. Valentine and Mr. Mendell:

H. B. No. 623, A bill to be entitled "An Act to build, establish and maintain upon the land now or hereafter to be owned by the State in the central part of the State, a Pasteur Institute and Bacteriological Laboratory; declaring the purpose of such institution, providing employees therefor, naming a committee to carry out the provisions of this act and making an appropriation for such purposes, fixing the salaries of the employees, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Tilson and Mr. Bledsoe:

H. B. No. 624, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Abernathy Independent School District situated in Hale and Lubbock counties, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Florer:

H. B. No. 625, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define and regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery; to create a board of veterinary medical examiners for the examination and licensing of veterinary physicians and surgeons and dentists, and to prescribe their qualifications; to provide for their proper registration, and to provide for the revocation of their licenses and to prescribe the duties of the county and district attorneys; and to fix suitable penalties for the violation of this act; and also to repeal the act passed by the Thirty-second Legislature with reference to regulating the practice of veterinary medicine, Laws of 1911, page 132, and all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

Referred to Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

By Mr. Poage:

H. B. No. 626, A bill to be entitled "An Act to construct and extend the State Railroad which now extends from Rusk, in Cherokee county, to Palestine, in Anderson county, and to extend same to the city of Waco, in McLennan county, Texas, and to purchase necessary equipment for same, and to build and maintain in connection therewith telegraph or telephone line; and to enter upon, take and occupy land thereby, after paying for same, and for condemnation proceedings, and providing for the issuance of bonds, for their approval by the Attorney General, and providing for their sale, and for setting aside an amount of money to pay same and the interest on same, and for accepting gifts and donations for said railroad extension, and for the employment of State convicts in the construction of said railroad, and for placing same under the Railroad Commission of Texas, and that the State Board of Education may have an option on the bonds of said railroad when issued."

Referred to Committee on Penitentiaries.

By Mr. Thomason of Nacogdoches:

H. B. No. 627, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2817, Chapter 15, Title 48, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, providing for the payment of expenses incurred in making and surveying the boundary lines of any common school district, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Beason:

H. B. No. 628, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 529, Title 14, Chapter 6, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, relating to books and record of State banks, and trust companies."

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Johnson:

H. B. No. 629, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a commission to make a complete survey of all institutions of higher learning and State departments doing educational or extension work."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Haidusek:

H. B. No. 630, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 2, 8, 9, 12 and 40 of Chapter 148, Local and Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, same being a special road law for Fayette county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Morris, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Veatch:

H. B. No. 631, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Eighteenth Judicial District of the State of Texas, and to reorganize the Twenty-ninth Judicial District of the State of Texas, and to provide that Somervell county shall be taken from the Twenty-ninth Judicial District and transferred to the Eighteenth Judicial District of the State of Texas; and to prescribe the time for the holding of the courts in said districts, and to make all process issued or served before this act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds, returnable to the terms of court in the several counties and districts as herein fixed; to validate such process, recognizances and bonds, and to validate the summoning of grand and petit jurors; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Mr. Thomason of El Paso and Mr. Dudley (by request):

H. B. No. 632, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 7282, 7283, 7284, 7285, 7286, 7287 and 7289, of Chapter 7, Title 124, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, providing for the

protection of stock raisers in certain localities, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

By Mr. Sentell:

H. B. No. 633, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for prescribing upon the face of each note or contract evidencing a loan or forbearance for money the amount received by the borrower, the rate and the amount of interest; prohibiting the collection of a rate of interest greater than 10 per cent per annum; providing forfeiture of the right to collect and penalty for the violation of this act; providing for the application of the provisions of this act; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 85, to the Committee on Judicial Districts.

Senate bill No. 100, to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate bill No. 116, to the Committee on Judicial Districts.

Senate bill No. 124, to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate bill No. 227, to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate bill No. 238, to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Senate bill No. 243, to the Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

Senate bill No. 299, to the Committee on Counties.

BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Mendell, it was ordered that House bill No. 536 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Bland, it was ordered that House bill No. 461 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Scurry, it was ordered that House bill No. 573 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Russell, it was ordered that Senate bill No. 251 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Hopkins, it was ordered that House bill No. 543 be not printed.

ADDITION TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

On motion of Mr. Peyton, by unanimous consent, Mr. Thomason of Nacogdoches was added to the Committee on Appropriations.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR LINDSLEY.

On motion of Mr. Laney, the following communications from Hon. Henry D. Lindsley, Mayor of Dallas, were ordered printed in the Journal:

Austin, Texas, February 8, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker, House of Representatives, Thirty-fifth Legislature, Austin, Texas:

At a meeting of the representatives of Texas cities held in Austin, Texas, on the 8th day of February, 1917, the following resolution was adopted:

"Be it resolved, That we, the representatives of Texas cities, are unalterably opposed to Senate bill No. 197, commonly known as the 'Lattimore Public Utility Bill,' in all of its provisions and parts. That the chairman of this meeting be and he is hereby instructed to present a copy of this resolution to the Senate and to the House of Representatives."

Pursuant to the above resolution same is hereby presented.

Respectfully,
HENRY D. LINDSLEY,
Chairman of Meeting.

Austin, Texas, February 8, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker, House of Representatives, Thirty-fifth Legislature, Austin, Texas:

At a meeting of representatives of Texas cities held in Austin, Texas, on the 8th day of February, 1917, the following resolution was adopted:

"Be it resolved, That a committee be appointed by the chairman of this meeting to collaborate with Senator Dean with a view to securing an amendment to Senate bill No. 232, the purpose of which is to place telephones under the Railroad Commission, which amendment will preserve to cities in Texas all rights they now have in regulating local telephone exchanges, local telephone service and rates to be charged by local telephone companies, and that if said bill be amended so as to apply only to long distance service, then that it is the sense of this meeting that the representatives of Texas cities here assembled will approve the said bill in such modified

form when so amended. That the chairman of this meeting be and is hereby instructed to have presented to the Senate and House of Representatives a copy of this resolution."

Pursuant to the above resolution, a copy thereof is hereby submitted.

Respectfully,
HENRY D. LINDSLEY,
Chairman of Meeting.

TO PROVIDE COMPENSATION FOR TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES.

Mr. Yantis offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, That, whereas several employes have worked in the House since its organization, and have just recently been appointed, that they be paid for such time as they have actually been in discharge of their duties as employes of the House; and that the Speaker be instructed to issue the necessary warrants.

Signed—Yantis, Bland, Woodul, Florer, Cox, Hardey, Spradley, Nordhaus, Lowe, Beason, Holland, Meador.

The resolution was read and was referred by the Speaker to the Committee on Contingent Expenses.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF NINTH LEGISLATURE.

On motions of Mr. Richards and Mr. Valentine, the following communications were ordered printed in the Journal:

Lockhart, Texas, February 7, 1917.

Hon. C. F. Richards, Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir: Your favor just handed me. In answer will state that I was elected to lower House of Representatives from the then District of Caldwell, Hays and Blanco, and served a member of the Ninth Legislature in its first session in 1861-1862, then resigned and entered the Confederate military service.

This will include me in your invitation, and which, if I am able, will accept and certainly be there on March 2nd.

Yours truly,
S. J. P. McDOWELL.

Fort Worth, Texas, February 8, 1917.

Hon. I. T. Valentine, House of Representatives, Austin, Texas.

Dear Mr. Valentine: I thank you very much for your invitation to me to be present with the members of the Legislature as their guest on Independence day, March 2nd, of this year.

I believe Judge Lindsay, at Gainesville,

and I are the only surviving members of the Ninth Legislature and I well remember that we were the youngest members of that body. We both resigned at the close of the first session and went into the Confederate army. It happened both of us served in the same division of that army, but in different regiments and brigades.

I shall be pleased to be with you on the occasion mentioned and shall avail myself of that honor and pleasure if no unavoidable occurrence shall prevent me.

Thanking you for your kind expressions, I am,

Very truly yours,
W. P. McLEAN.

RELATING TO CLAIMS AGAINST PRISON SYSTEM.

Mr. Poage offered the following resolution:

Whereas, There was a resolution adopted by the Thirty-fifth Legislature authorizing the House to appoint an auditing committee to audit the claims and accounts against the Prison Commission; and

Whereas, The time expires on February 10th for them to make final report back to the House in regard to the correctness of these claims and accounts; and

Whereas, That up to this time the committee is still receiving a great many accounts and claims, that they feel, in justice to the State and to the claimants, that they, as well as those that have been, should be considered, and that these accounts run into many thousands of dollars.

We, your committee, therefore earnestly request that you extend to us sufficient time to consider these claims, and report same back for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,
POAGE,
REEVES,
BRYAN,
FAIRCHILD,
METCALFE.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

RELATING TO EXPENSES OF PENITENTIARY CLAIMS COMMITTEE.

Mr. Parks offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The resolution passed by the House on January 10, providing for a Penitentiary Claims Committee, provides that the salaries of the employes of said

committee be paid out of the contingent expense appropriation, when it should have said out of the appropriation to pay the per diem of the members and employes of the House; therefore, be it

Resolved, That said salaries of the Penitentiary Claims Committee be paid out of the last said fund instead of the contingent expense fund.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

APPOINTMENT ANNOUNCED.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Mr. Beason on the committee to visit the penitentiaries instead of Mr. Terrell.

HOUSE BILL NO. 519 ON SECOND READING.

(Special Order.)

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour,

H. B. No. 519, A bill to be entitled "An Act to apply to and govern all insurance corporations incorporated under the laws of this State; making it unlawful for an insurance corporation so created to make a voluntary assignment, and prescribing the duty of such company when it finds itself unable to meet its obligations; making void any voluntary general assignment by such company or any acts relative thereto, and making void all transfer of assets after an act of insolvency or in contemplation thereof, with a view of preferring one creditor over another; declaring that no attachment, injunction or execution shall issue against such an insurance company or its property before final judgment; prescribing the duties of the Commissioner of Insurance and Banking when the capital stock or the reserves of an insurance company become impaired, or when such company is conducting its business in an unlawful, unsafe or unauthorized manner, or has made wrong entries or misapplied funds; defining the duty of the Commissioner in the event such company fails to observe the lawful orders issued by him in such cases; stating when and under what circumstances the Commissioner of Insurance and Banking shall report the affairs of an insurance corporation to the Attorney General for action; prescribing certain duties for the Attorney General and the district courts and district judges of the State; prescribing a complete scheme of liquidation by a receiver of insolvent insurance corporations and also by

the Commissioner of Insurance and Banking; defining the duties of the Commissioner with reference to such liquidation, his authority and the method of liquidation in detail; imposing upon the Commissioner authority to call stockholders' meetings of insurance companies for the election of a new board of directors under certain conditions; defining how and when and under what circumstances and conditions the Commissioner of Insurance may take charge of the affairs of an insurance corporation and liquidate the same, and in what manner such corporation may place its affairs in the hands of the Commissioner; authorizing the Commissioner to appoint special agents to assist him in the liquidation of such insurance companies, etc."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 519 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Williams of McLennan moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 519 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—115.

Beard of Milam.	Dudley.
Beasley.	Dunnam.
Beason.	Estes.
Bedell.	Fisher.
Bell.	Fitzpatrick.
Bertram.	Florer.
Blackburn.	Fly.
Blackmon.	Greenwood.
Blalock.	Haidusek.
Bland.	Hardey.
Bledsoe.	Harris.
Boner.	Hawkins.
Brown.	Holland.
Bryan.	Hudspeth.
Bryant.	Johnson.
Burton of Rusk.	Laas.
Burton of Tarrant.	Lacey.
Butler.	Lange.
Cadenhead.	Lanier.
Canales.	Lindemann.
Carlock.	Lowe.
Cates.	of McMullen.
Clark.	McComb.
Cope.	McCoy.
Cox.	McDowra.
Davis of Dallas.	McMillin.
Davis of Grimes.	Martin.
Davis	Meador.
of Van Zandt.	Metcalfe.
De Bogory.	Miller of Dallas.
Dodd.	Monday.

Morris.	Templeton.
Murrell.	Terrell.
Neeley.	Thomas.
Neill.	Thomason
Nichols.	of El Paso.
Nordhaus.	Thomason
O'Banion.	of Nacogdoches.
O'Brien.	Thompson
Osborne.	of Hunt.
Parks.	Thompson
Peddy.	of Red River.
Peyton.	Tillotson.
Poage.	Tilson.
Pope.	Tinner.
Raiden.	Trayler.
Reeves.	Tschoepe.
Richards.	Upchurch.
Roemer.	Valentine.
Rogers.	Veatch.
Russell.	Wahrmund.
Sackett.	Walker.
Sallas.	White.
Sentell.	Williams
Schlesinger.	of Brazoria.
Seawright.	Williams
Smith of Hopkins.	of McLennan.
Spencer of Nolan.	Williford.
Spradley.	Wilson.
Stewart.	Woods.
Strayhorn.	Yantis.
Taylor.	

Nays—11.

Bagby.	Low
Baker.	of Washington.
Crudgington.	Scholl.
Hartman.	Smith of Bastrop.
Laney.	Smith of Scurry.
Lee.	Swope.

Present—Not Voting.

Schlosshan.

Absent.

Denton.	Miller of Austin.
Fairchild.	Pillow.
Hill.	Robertson.
Jones.	Sholars.
McFarland.	Woodul.
Mendell.	

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 519 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—107.

Beard of Milam.	Bedell.
Beasley.	Bell.
Beason.	Blackburn.

Blackmon.	Neeley.
Blalock.	Nichols.
Bland.	O'Banion.
Bledsoe.	Osborne.
Boner.	Peddy.
Bryan.	Peyton.
Bryant.	Poage.
Burton of Rusk.	Raiden.
Burton of Tarrant.	Reeves.
Butler.	Richards.
Cadenhead.	Robertson.
Canales.	Roemer.
Carlock.	Russell.
Cates.	Sackett.
Cope.	Sallas.
Cox.	Sentell.
Davis of Dallas.	Schlesinger.
Davis of Grimes.	Seawright.
Davis	Smith of Hopkins.
of Van Zandt.	Spencer of Nolan.
De Bogory.	Spradley.
Dodd.	Stewart.
Dudley.	Strayhorn.
Dunnam.	Swope.
Estes.	Taylor.
Fisher.	Templeton.
Fitzpatrick.	Terrell.
Florer.	Thomas.
Fly.	Thomason
Greenwood.	of El Paso.
Haidusek.	Thomason
Hardey.	of Nacogdoches.
Harris.	Thompson
Hawkins.	of Hunt.
Hudspeth.	Thompson
Johnson.	of Red River.
Laas.	Tilson.
Lacey.	Tinner.
Lange.	Trayler.
Lanier.	Tschoepe.
Lee.	Upchurch.
Lindemann.	Valentine.
Lowe	Veatch.
of McMullen.	Wahrmund.
McComb.	Walker.
McCoy.	White.
McDowra.	Williams
McMillin.	of Brazoria.
Martin.	Williams
Meador.	of McLennan.
Metcalf.	Williford.
Miller of Dallas.	Wilson.
Monday.	Woods.
Morris.	Yantis.
Murrell.	

Nays—13.

Bagby.	Laney.
Baker.	Low
Bertram.	of Washington.
Brown.	Neill.
Crudgington.	Nordhaus.
Hartman.	Smith of Bastrop.
Hill.	Smith of Scurry.

Present—Not Voting.

Schlosshan.

Absent.

Clark.
Denton.
Fairchild.
Holland.
Jones.
McFarland.
Mendell.
Miller of Austin.
O'Brien.

Parks.
Pillow.
Pope.
Rogers.
Scholl.
Sholars.
Tillotson.
Woodul.

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris. Spencer of Wise.
Moore.

Mr. Williams of McLennan moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1
COMMITTED.

Mr. Cope called up, for consideration at this time, the motion to reconsider the vote by which the House, on Friday, February 2, refused to pass House Joint Resolution No. 1, the motion to reconsider having been duly spread upon the Journal, and due notice having been given that the motion would be called up for consideration at this time.

Question then recurring on the motion to reconsider it prevailed.

The Speaker laid House Joint Resolution No. 1 before the House on its final passage.

Mr. Cope moved that the resolution be committed to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to commit prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—89.

Baker.
Beasley.
Bedell.
Bell.
Bertram.
Blackburn.
Blackmon.
Blalock.
Bledsoe.
Boner.
Bryan.
Bryant.
Burton of Rusk.
Burton of Tarrant.
Butler.
Cadenhead.
Canales.
Clark.
Cope.
Cox.

Crudgington.
Davis of Dallas.
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of Van Zandt.
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Dodd.
Dunnam.
Estes.
Fitzpatrick.
Florer.
Fly.
Hawkins.
Hill.
Hudspeth.
Johnson.
Lacey.
Laney.
Lee.
McComb.
McCoy.

McDowra.
McMillin.
Meador.
Metcalf.
Miller of Dallas.
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Neeley.
Neill.
Nichols.
O'Banion.
O'Brien.
Osborne.
Peddy.
Peyton.
Raiden.
Reeves.
Richards.
Rogers.
Russell.
Sackett.
Sentell.
Seawright.
Sholars.
Smith of Bastrop.
Smith of Hopkins.
Smith of Scurry.

Spencer of Nolan.
Spradley.
Stewart.
Templeton.
Terrell.
Thomas.
Thomason
of Nacogdoches.
Thompson
of Hunt.
Thompson
of Red River.
Tilson.
Tinner.
Traylor.
Upchurch.
Valentine.
Veatch.
White.
Williams
of Brazoria.
Williams
of McLennan.
Williford.
Wilson.
Woods.
Yantis.

Nays—40.

Bagby.
Beason.
Bland.
Brown.
Cates.
Dudley.
Fisher.
Greenwood.
Haidusek.
Hardey.
Harris.
Hartman.
Laas.
Lange.
Lanier.
Lindemann.
Lowe.
of McMullen.
Low.
of Washington.
McFarland.
Martin.

Mendell.
Nordhaus.
Parks.
Pillow.
Pope.
Robertson.
Roemer.
Sallas.
Schlesinger.
Schlosshan.
Scholl.
Strayhorn.
Swope.
Taylor.
Thomason
of El Paso.
Tillotson.
Tschoepe.
Wahrmond.
Walker.
Woodul.

Absent.

Beard of Milam.
Carlock.
Davis of Grimes.
Denton.
Fairchild.

Holland.
Jones.
Miller of Austin.
Poage.

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris. Spencer of Wise.
Moore.

AUTHORIZING DISTRIBUTION OF
CURRENCY.

The Speaker laid before the House,

for consideration at this time, the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 14, Authorizing distribution of currency of Republic of Texas.

Whereas, The Comptroller of Public Accounts has in his possession a large amount of currency issued by the Republic of Texas in denominations of from one dollar to five hundred dollars; and

Whereas, While the said currency has no value as money, it has great value as a memento of the days of stress from which our great commonwealth emerged; and

Whereas, There are many institutions in this State who are desirous of having the said currency as relics; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, That the Comptroller of Public Accounts be and he is hereby authorized to distribute said currency to any institution applying for same, limiting the amount so distributed to a single series of from one dollar to five hundred.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

MOTION TO SET HOUSE BILL NO. 352 AS SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. Laney moved that House bill No. 352 be set as a special order for 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The motion was lost.

RELATING TO PROTECTION OF BIRDS.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 7, Requesting Texas Congressmen and United States Senators to oppose the passage of bill now pending in Congress relating to migratory birds:

Whereas, The United States and Great Britain have entered into a treaty in relation to migratory birds, known as the "Migratory Bird Treaty"; and

Whereas, There was introduced into the Senate of the United States on January 13th a bill "To give effect to the convention between the United States and Great Britain for the protection of migratory birds, the ratifications whereof were exchanged on the 7th day of December, 1916, and for other purposes"; and

Whereas, It appears from the provisions in said bill that were such enacted into law, it would practically annul the right of any State in this Union to in

any manner make provision for the protection and use of the wild life within its border; thus striking down the time-honored Democratic principle of State rights; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Representatives in Congress and the members of the Senate from Texas be informed that we are unutterably opposed to the enactment of this measure, and that it is our wish that they each and all do all within their power to prevent the passage of this bill.

The resolution having been read second time on Thursday, February 1st.

Question recurring on the resolution, it was adopted.

SENATE BILL NO. 37 ON THIRD READING.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 37, A bill to be entitled "An Act to Amend Articles 6772, 6773, 6774 and 6775, of Chapter 1, Title 117, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, relating to the transcribing of records from the parent county into the newly created counties which have been created either in whole or in part from the territory of any other county or counties in this State, or to which may have been added since its creation the territory of any other county or counties in this State so as to authorize the commissioners court of the new county to employ a competent person to transcribe the same, other than the county clerk of such new county, to repeal all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

(Mr. Thomason of El Paso in the chair.)

Mr. Osborne offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend committee amendment, page 4, Article 6775, line 19, by striking out the words "or party."

The amendment was lost.

RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Bryant, the House, at 12:05 o'clock p. m., took recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

SENATE BILL NO. 37 ON FINAL
PASSAGE.

(Pending Business.)

The House resumed consideration of pending business, same being Senate bill No. 37, relating to the transcribing of records for newly created counties, on its final passage.

Question—Shall the bill be passed?

(Mr. Thomason of El Paso in the chair.)

Senate bill No. 37 was then passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 47 ON THIRD
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 47, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations for the support and maintenance of the Sam Houston Normal School, the San Marcos Normal School, the Denton Normal School and the Canyon City Normal School during the summer of 1917, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Woods offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 47 by striking out the figures "\$15,000," line 28, page 1, "\$20,000," line 29, page 1, "\$15,000," line 30, page 1, "\$15,000," line 31, page 1, and insert in lieu thereof the following, in the respective lines: "\$6000," "\$9000," "\$6000," "\$6000."

Mr. Thomas moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—54.

Beard of Milam.	Johnson.
Bell.	Laney.
Blackburn.	Lange.
Blackmon.	McCoy.
Blalock.	Meador.
Boner.	Mendell.
Butler.	Metcalfe.
Clark.	Miller of Dallas.
Cope.	Monday.
Davis of Grimes.	Neeley.
Davis	Nichols.
of Van Zandt.	Nordhaus.
De Bogory.	Osborne.
Denton.	Peddy.
Dodd.	Peyton.
Dudley.	Pillow.
Fisher.	Robertson.
Fitzpatrick.	Rogers.
Florer.	Sentell.
Greenwood.	Scholl.
Hardey.	Sholars.
Hartman.	Spradley.

Swope.
Templeton.
Terrell.
Thomas.
Thomason
of El Paso.

Thomason
of Nacogdoches.
Tschoepe.
Upchurch.
Valentine.
Wilson.
Woodul.

Nays—64.

Bagby.
Baker.
Beasley.
Beason.
Bedell.
Bertram.
Bryan.
Bryant.
Burton of Rusk.
Cadenhead.
Canales.
Cox.
Crudgington.
Davis of Dallas.
Dunnam.
Estes.
Fly.
Haidusek.
Harris.
Hawkins.
Hill.
Holland.
Hudspeth.
Laas.
Lacey.
Lanier.
Lee.
Lindemann.
Lowe
of McMullen.
Low
of Washington.
McComb.
McDowra.

McMillin.
Martin.
Murrell.
Neill.
O'Brien.
Parks.
Raiden.
Reeves.
Richards.
Roemer.
Russell.
Sackett.
Sallas.
Schlesinger.
Seawright.
Smith of Bastrop.
Smith of Hopkins.
Stewart.
Strayhorn.
Taylor.
Thompson
of Red River.
Tilson.
Tinner.
Traylor.
Veatch.
Wahrmund.
Walker.
White.
Williams
of Brazoria.
Williford.
Woods.
Yantis.

Absent.

Bland.	Poage.
Brown.	Pope.
Burton of Tarrant.	Schlosshan.
Carlock.	Smith of Scurry.
Cates.	Spencer of Nolan.
Fairchild.	Thompson
Jones.	of Hunt.
Miller of Austin.	Tillotson.
Morris.	Williams
O'Banion.	of McLennan.

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

Paired.

Mr. Bledsoe (present), who would vote "nay," with Mr. McFarland (absent), who would vote "yea."

Question recurring on the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote (not receiving the necessary two-thirds vote):

Yeas—68.

Bagby.	McDowra.
Baker.	McMillin.
Beasley.	Martin.
Beason.	Morris.
Bedell.	Murrell.
Bertram.	Neill.
Bland.	O'Brien.
Bryan.	Parks.
Bryant.	Raiden.
Burton of Rusk.	Reeves.
Cadenhead.	Richards.
Canales.	Roemer.
Cope.	Russell.
Cox.	Sackett.
Crudgington.	Sallas.
Davis of Dallas.	Schlesinger.
Dunnam.	Seawright.
Estes.	Smith of Bastrop.
Fisher.	Smith of Hopkins.
Fly.	Smith of Scurry.
Haidusek.	Stewart.
Harris.	Strayhorn.
Hawkins.	Swope.
Holland.	Taylor.
Hudspeth.	Thompson
Laas.	of Red River.
Lacey.	Tillotson.
Lanier.	Tilson.
Lee.	Tinner.
Lindemann.	Traylor.
Lowe	Veatch.
of McMullen.	Wahrmund.
Low	Walker.
of Washington.	Williford.
McComb.	Woods.
McCoy.	

Nays—55.

Beard of Milam.	Laney.
Bell.	Lange.
Blackburn.	Meador.
Blackmon.	Mendell.
Blalock.	Metcalfe.
Boner.	Miller of Dallas.
Butler.	Monday.
Clark.	Neeley.
Davis of Grimes.	Nichols.
Davis	Nordhaus.
of Van Zandt.	Osborne.
De Bogory.	Peddy.
Denton.	Peyton.
Dodd.	Pillow.
Dudley.	Pope.
Fitzpatrick.	Robertson.
Florer.	Rogers.
Greenwood.	Sentell.
Hardey.	Scholl.
Hartman.	Sholars.
Johnson.	Spradley.

Templeton.	Tschoepe.
Terrell.	Upchurch.
Thomas.	Valentine.
Thomason	White.
of El Paso.	Williams
Thomason	of Brazoria.
of Nacogdoches.	Wilson.
Thompson	Woodul.
of Hunt.	Yantis.

Present—Not Voting.

Hill.	Schlosshan.
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Absent.

Bledsoe.	McFarland.
Brown.	Miller of Austin.
Burton of Tarrant.	O'Banion.
Carlock.	Poage.
Cates.	Spencer of Nolan.
Fairchild.	Williams
Jones.	of McLennan.

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

(Speaker in the chair.)

Mr. Veatch offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 47, page 1, Section 1, lines 28, 30 and 31, by striking out "\$15,000" and insert "\$10,000"; and in line 29, by striking out "\$20,000" and insert "\$15,000."

The amendment was lost.

Question recurring on the final passage of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

The bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—68.

Mr. Speaker.	Holland.
Beard of Milam.	Hudspeth.
Bedell.	Johnson.
Bell.	Laney.
Blackburn.	Lange.
Blackmon.	McCoy.
Blalock.	Meador.
Boner.	Mendell.
Butler.	Metcalfe.
Clark.	Miller of Dallas.
Cope.	Monday.
Crudgington.	Neeley.
Davis of Grimes.	Nichols.
Davis	Nordhaus.
of Van Zandt.	Osborne.
De Bogory.	Peddy.
Denton.	Peyton.
Dodd.	Pillow.
Dudley.	Pope.
Fitzpatrick.	Robertson.
Florer.	Rogers.
Fly.	Sentell.
Hartman.	Schlosshan.

Scholl.	Tilson.
Sholars.	Tschoepe.
Smith of Bastrop.	Upchurch.
Smith of Hopkins.	Valentine.
Spradley.	Wahrmund.
Swope.	White.
Templeton.	Williams
Terrell.	of Brazoria.
Thomas.	Williams
Thomason	of McLennan.
of Nacogdoches.	Wilson.
Thompson	Woodul.
of Hunt.	Yantis.
Tillotson.	

Nays—59.

Bagby.	McComb.
Baker.	McDowra.
Beasley.	McMillin.
Beason.	Martin.
Bertram.	Morris.
Bland.	Murrell.
Bryan.	Neill.
Bryant.	O'Brien.
Burton of Rusk.	Parks.
Cadenhead.	Raiden.
Canales.	Reeves.
Cox.	Richards.
Davis of Dallas.	Roemer.
Dunnam.	Russell.
Estes.	Sackett.
Fisher.	Sallas.
Greenwood.	Schlesinger.
Haidusek.	Seawright.
Hardey.	Smith of Scurry.
Harris.	Spencer of Nolan.
Hawkins.	Stewart.
Hill.	Strayhorn.
Laas.	Taylor.
Lacey.	Thompson
Lanier.	of Red River.
Lee.	Tinner.
Lindemann.	Trayler.
Lowe	Veatch.
of McMullen.	Walker.
Low	Williford.
of Washington.	Woods.

Absent.

Brown.	Miller of Austin.
Burton of Tarrant.	O'Banion.
Carlock.	Poage.
Cates.	Thomason
Fairchild.	of El Paso.
Jones.	

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

Paired.

Mr. Bledsoe (present), who would vote "nay," with Mr. McFarland (absent), who would vote "yea."

Mr. Davis of Van Zandt moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill

was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following bills:

H. B. No. 28, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1164 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas as amended by Chapter 102 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, found at page 156 of the printed session acts, relating to the employment or use of the stock, means, assets and other property of corporations, and declaring for what purposes the same may be used; penalizing the officers or agents or employees of such corporations or other organizations who wrongfully use the moneys, means or assets contributed thereto; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 226, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 19, Chapter 67, of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, which was approved March 11, 1911, relating to the term of office of the criminal district attorney of Harris county, and to amend Section 22 of the act mentioned, as originally passed and as amended by Chapter 14 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, relating to the pay of the assistant criminal district attorneys of said county; repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

And the following resolution:

S. J. R. No. 12, Proposing to amend Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto at the end thereof another section to be known as Section 59, declaring the conservation and preservation of all the natural resources of the State of Texas are public rights and duties; providing for the creation of conservation districts; declaring such districts bodies politic and corporate; defining the authority of such districts, and conferring upon the Legislature authority to pass laws with reference thereto; declaring that the Legislature shall have authority generally to legislate for the purpose of conserving the natural resources of the State; fixing the time for the election for the adop-

tion or rejection of said proposed constitutional amendment; making certain provisions for said election and the ballots thereof and the method thereof; directing the issuance of the proclamation therefor; prescribing certain duties of the Governor of the State, and making an appropriation to defray the expenses of said election.

Respectfully,

G. H. BOYNTON,
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

SENATE BILL NO. 61 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, S. B. No. 61, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3420, Chapter 18, Title 52, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, providing that no property encumbered by certain liens shall be set aside to the widow or children as exempt property, or appropriated to make up the allowance in lieu of exempt property, or for a year's support, until the debts secured by such liens are first discharged, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 68 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 68, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining common carrier pipe lines engaged, or to engage, in the transportation of petroleum oil; declaring all corporations, persons, partnerships, or associations of persons now engaged, or to hereafter engage in transporting petroleum oil from place to place in this State to be common carriers, declaring such common carriers to be public utilities and making them subject to the provisions of this act; giving the Railroad Commission of Texas the power to regulate the rate of such transportation by such common carriers; granting them the right to establish, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines upon their rights of way in connection with their business, and to build and maintain their lines under and across or along streams, highways, and streets as other common carriers within this State; and providing against discrimination in favor of or against individuals, asso-

ciations of persons or corporations in the conduct of their business; requiring them to exchange tonnage with other common carriers, and to receive and transport petroleum oil tendered to them for transportation; empowering said Commission to make rules and regulations for their conduct; and to require the construction and maintenance by them of loading racks and transfer and delivery stations, and the transfer and delivery of petroleum from such common carrier to another, and to fix the charges therefor, and to define merchantable oil, and to fix the amount of deduction to be made therefrom on account of water and other foreign substances, and on account of evaporation and leakage, and giving said Commission plenary power to make rules and regulations for the control of such carriers, and power to enforce their rules and regulations and the provisions of this act; fixing penalties for the violation of this act, and the rules and orders of said Commission; making certain violations a criminal offense, and fixing the penalty therefor, and providing means for the recovery of such penalties as are not made criminal, either by the State of Texas or the party aggrieved by such violation, naming the tribunal in which such recovery may be had; providing for the employment of an expert to assist the Commission; fixing his salary and making an appropriation therefor; levying a tax to pay such salary and other expenses; repealing all laws in conflict with this act; providing that the invalidity of any part of this act shall not invalidate the remaining parts thereof, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

Mr. Miller of Dallas moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 71 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 71. A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and providing for the enforcement of liens for material, machinery or supplies furnished to, or for labor performed for, owners of lands, mines or quarries, or owners or leaseholds for oil, gas, or water wells, for

oil or gas pipe lines and rights of way, or for mining or quarrying purposes, and for materials, machinery, supplies or labor for the construction, maintenance, operation or repair of oil, gas, or water wells, or for oil or gas pipe lines, mines or quarries, and prohibiting the sale or removal of property subject to such liens without the consent of the lienholders, and providing a penalty therefor."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Woods offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 71 by adding at the end of Section 8 the following: "No homestead or other exemption provided by the Constitution and laws of this State shall in any way be affected by the provisions of this act."

Mr. Holland moved to table the amendment, and the motion to table was lost.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Woods offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 71 by striking out Section six (6) thereof.

(Mr. Spradley in the chair.)

Mr. Holland moved to table the amendment, and the motion to table was lost.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Baker offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 71 by striking out the enacting clause.

On motion of Mr. Holland, the amendment was tabled.

Mr. Bryant offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 71 by striking out all of line 40, page 3, and all of lines 1 and 2, page 4, and insert in lieu thereof "five, nor more than five hundred dollars."

(Speaker in the chair.)

The amendment was adopted.

Senate bill No. 71 was then passed.

Mr. Holland moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 75 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 75, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate titles to school land which has been purchased from the State on condition of settlement and residence

in cases where purchaser made settlement thereon and filed his affidavit of settlement in the General Land Office but transferred the land before the expiration of one year from the date of award to another qualified purchaser; in cases where the purchaser settled on the land within the time required by law but failed to file in the General Land Office his affidavit of settlement within the time required by law; in cases where the purchaser failed to settle on the land within ninety days from the date of award but actually settled on the land and filed his affidavit of settlement in the General Land Office as required by law; and in cases where the purchaser has been prevented from making settlement by being called into the militia service of the State or United States, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—124.

Bagby.	Fly.
Baker.	Greenwood.
Beard of Milam.	Haidusek.
Beasley.	Hardey.
Beason.	Harris.
Bedell.	Hartman.
Bertram.	Hawkins.
Blackburn.	Hill.
Blackman.	Hudspeth.
Blalock.	Johnson.
Bland.	Laas.
Bledsoe.	Laney.
Boner.	Lange.
Brown.	Lanier.
Bryan.	Lee.
Bryant.	Lindemann.
Burton of Rusk.	Lowe.
Butler.	of McMullen.
Cadenhead.	Low.
Canales.	of Washington.
Cates.	McComb.
Clark.	McCoy.
Cope.	McDowra.
Cox.	McFarland.
Crudgington.	McMillin.
Davis of Dallas.	Martin.
Davis of Grimes.	Meador.
Davis.	Mendell.
of Van Zandt.	Metcalf.
De Bogory.	Miller of Dallas.
Denton.	Monday.
Dodd.	Morris.
Dudley.	Murrell.
Dunnam.	Neeley.
Estes.	Neill.
Fisher.	Nordhaus.
Fitzpatrick.	O'Brien.
Florer.	Osborne.

Parks.	Terrell.
Peddy.	Thomas.
Peyton.	Thomason
Pillow.	of Nacogdoches.
Pope.	Thompson
Raiden.	of Hunt.
Reeves.	Thompson
Richards.	of Red River.
Robertson.	Tillotson.
Roemer.	Tilson.
Russell.	Tinner.
Sackett.	Traylor.
Sallas.	Tschoepe.
Sentell.	Upchurch.
Schlosshan.	Valentine.
Scholl.	Veatch.
Seawright.	Wahrmund.
Sholars.	Walker.
Smith of Bastrop.	White.
Smith of Hopkins.	Williams
Smith of Scurry.	of Brazoria.
Spencer of Nolan.	Williams
Spradley.	of McLennan.
Stewart.	Williford.
Strayhorn.	Wilson.
Swope.	Woods.
Taylor.	Woodul.
Templeton.	Yantis.

Absent.

Bell.	Nichols.
Burton of Tarrant.	O'Banion.
Carlock.	Poage.
Fairchild.	Rogers.
Holland.	Schlesinger.
Jones.	Thomason
Lacey.	of El Paso.
Miller of Austin.	

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

Mr. Bryan moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 83 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 83, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1307, Chapter 24, Title 25, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, as amended by Chapter 152 of the General Laws passed by the Thirty-fourth Legislature, approved April 7, 1915, relating to corporations formed for the purpose of storing, transporting, buying and selling oil and gas and other products, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

Question—Shall the bill be passed?

Yeas and nays were demanded, and

the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—99.

Bagby.	Miller of Dallas.
Beard of Milam.	Monday.
Beason.	Morris.
Bell.	Murrell.
Blackburn.	Neeley.
Blackmon.	Nichols.
Blalock.	Nordhaus.
Bland.	O'Brien.
Bledsoe.	Osborne.
Boner.	Parks.
Brown.	Peddy.
Bryan.	Pillow.
Canales.	Pope.
Cates.	Richards.
Clark.	Robertson.
Cox.	Roemer.
Crudgington.	Russell.
Davis of Grimes.	Sackett.
Denton.	Sallas.
Dodd.	Sentell.
Dudley.	Schlosshan.
Estes.	Scholl.
Fairchild.	Sholars.
Fisher.	Smith of Bastrop.
Fitzpatrick.	Smith of Hopkins.
Florer.	Smith of Scurry.
Fly.	Spencer of Nolan.
Greenwood.	Spradley.
Haidusek.	Stewart.
Hardey.	Strayhorn.
Harris.	Swope.
Hartman.	Taylor.
Hawkins.	Templeton.
Hill.	Thomason
Hudspeth.	of El Paso.
Johnson.	Thompson
Laas.	of Hunt.
Laney.	Thompson
Lange.	of Red River.
Lanier.	Tillotson.
Lindemann.	Tilson.
Lowe	Tschoepe.
of McMullen.	Valentine.
Low	Wahrmund.
of Washington.	Walker.
McComb.	White.
McCoy.	Williams
McDowra.	of Brazoria.
McFarland.	Williams
McMillin.	of McLennan.
Martin.	Wilson.
Mendell.	Woodul.
Metcalf.	Yantis.

Nays—28.

Baker.	Cope.
Bedell.	Davis of Dallas.
Bertram.	Davis
Bryant.	of Van Zandt.
Burton of Rusk.	De Bogory.
Cadenhead.	Dunnam.

Lee.	Thomas.
Meador.	Thomason
Neill.	of Nacogdoches.
Peyton.	Tinner.
Raiden.	Trayler.
Reeves.	Upchurch.
Schlesinger.	Veatch.
Seawright.	Williford.
Terrell.	Woods.

Absent.

Beasley.	Lacey.
Burton of Tarrant.	Miller of Austin.
Butler.	O'Banion.
Carlock.	Poage.
Holland.	Rogers.
Jones.	

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

Mr. Bagby moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 107 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 107, A bill to be entitled "An Act to restore and confer upon the county court of Hansford county the civil and criminal jurisdiction belonging to said court under the Constitution and general statutes of Texas; to define the jurisdiction of said court; to conform the jurisdiction of the district court of said county to said change; to fix the time of holding court, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

BILL ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Brazoria, by unanimous consent, it was ordered that Senate bill No. 278 be not printed.

SENATE BILL NO. 278 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Brazoria, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 278, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 2440, 2441, 2442, 2443, 2444 and 2445, Chapter 2, Title 44, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, providing

for county depositories; providing that the amount of the bond of the county depository shall in no event be for less than the total amount of revenue of the county for the next preceding year; adding Article 2443, providing and requiring special additional bonds to cover any or all special funds, including the sale, or sales, of bonds belonging to the county, or a subscription thereof; providing for the substitution of bonds under the provisions of this act for bonds now in existence, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Williams of Brazoria offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 278 by striking out the words "actually engaged in the banking business as a bank of discount and deposit," in lines 25 and 26, page 1, and in lines 4 and 5, page 2, and in lines 8 and 9, page 2, and in lines 18 and 19, page 2, and in lines 27 and 28, page 2, and in lines 10 and 11, page 3, and in lines 31 and 32, page 5, and by striking out Article 2444 and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

"Art. 2444. As soon as said bond be given and approved by the commissioners' court, and the State Comptroller of Public Accounts, an order shall be made and entered upon the minutes of said court designating such banking corporation, association, or individual banker, as a depository of the funds of said county until sixty days after the time fixed for the next selection of a depository; and, thereupon, it shall be the duty of the county treasurer of said county, immediately upon the making of such order, to transfer to said depository all the funds belonging to said county, as well as all funds belonging to any district or other municipal subdivision thereof not selecting its own depository, and immediately upon the receipt of any money thereafter, to deposit the same with said depository to the credit of said county, districts and municipalities; and, for each and every failure to make such deposit, the county treasurer shall be liable to said depository for ten per cent upon the amount not so deposited, to be recovered by civil action against such treasurer and the sureties on his official bond in any court of competent jurisdiction in the county. And thereupon it shall also be the duty of the tax collector of such county to deposit all taxes collected by him, or under his authority, for the State and such county

and its various districts and other municipal subdivisions, in such depository or depositories, as soon as collected, pending the preparation of his report of such collections and settlement thereon, which shall bear interest on daily balances at the same rate as such depository or depositories have undertaken to pay for the use of county funds, and the interest accruing thereon shall be apportioned by the tax collector to the various funds earning the same. The bond of such county depository or depositories shall stand as security for all such funds. If the tax collector of such county shall fail or refuse to deposit tax money collected as herein required, he shall be liable to such depository or depositories for ten per cent upon the amount not so deposited and shall in addition be liable to the State and county and its various districts and other municipal subdivisions for all sums which would have been earned had this provision been complied with, which interest may be recovered in a suit by the State.

"Upon such funds being deposited as herein required the tax collector and sureties on his bond shall thereafter be relieved of responsibility for its safe-keeping. All moneys subject to the control of the county treasurer or payable on his order belonging to districts or other municipal subdivisions, selecting no depository are hereby declared to be 'county funds' within the meaning of this chapter, and shall be deposited in accordance with its requirements and shall be considered in fixing the amount of the bond of such depository."

The amendment was adopted.

Senate bill No. 278 was then passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 278 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Miller of Dallas moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that Senate bill No. 278 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—116.

Bagby.	Blackmon.
Baker.	Blalock.
Beard of Milam.	Bland.
Beasley.	Bledsoe.
Beason.	Boner.
Bell.	Brown.
Bertram.	Bryan.
Blackburn.	Bryant.

Burton of Rusk.	Nichols.
Cadenhead.	O'Brien.
Canales.	Osborne.
Cates.	Parks.
Cope.	Peddy.
Cox.	Peyton.
Crudgington.	Pope.
Davis of Dallas.	Raiden.
Davis of Grimes.	Reeves.
Davis	Robertson.
of Van Zandt.	Roemer.
De Bogory.	Rogers.
Denton.	Russell.
Dodd.	Sackett.
Dudley.	Sallas.
Dunnam.	Sentell.
Estes.	Schlesinger.
Fairchild.	Schlosshan.
Fisher.	Scholl.
Fitzpatrick.	Seawright.
Fly.	Sholars.
Greenwood.	Smith of Bastrop.
Haidusek.	Smith of Hopkins.
Hardey.	Spencer of Nolan.
Harris.	Spradley.
Hartman.	Stewart.
Hawkins.	Strayhorn.
Holland.	Swope.
Hudspeth.	Taylor.
Johnson.	Templeton.
Laas.	Thomas.
Laney.	Thomason
Lange.	of El Paso
Lanier.	Thompson
Lee.	of Hunt.
Lindemann.	Tillotson.
Lowe	Tilson.
of McMullen.	Tinner.
Low	Trayler.
of Washington.	Tschoepe.
McComb.	Valentine.
McCoy.	Veatch.
McDowra.	Walker.
McFarland.	White.
McMillin.	Williams
Martin.	of Brazoria.
Meador.	Williams
Mendell.	of McLennan.
Metcalf.	Williford.
Miller of Dallas.	Wilson.
Morris.	Woods.
Murrell.	Woodul.
Neeley.	Yantis.
Neill.	

Nays—1.

Bedell.

Absent.

Burton of Tarrant.	Miller of Austin.
Butler.	Monday.
Carlock.	Nordhaus.
Clark.	O'Banion.
Florer.	Pillow.
Hill.	Poage.
Jones.	Richards.
Lacey.	Smith of Scurry.

Terrell. Thompson
Thomason of Red River.
of Nacogdoches. Upchurch.
Wahrmund.

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris. Spencer of Wise.
Moore.

The Speaker then laid Senate bill No. 278 before the House, on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—122.

Bagby.	Hudspeth.
Baker.	Laas.
Beard of Milam.	Laney.
Beasley.	Lange.
Beason.	Lanier.
Bedell.	Lee.
Bell.	Lindemann.
Bertram.	Lowe.
Blackburn.	of McMullen.
Blackmon.	Low.
Blalock.	of Washington.
Bland.	McComb.
Bledsoe.	McCoy.
Boner.	McDowra.
Brown.	McFarland.
Bryan.	McMillin.
Bryant.	Meador.
Burton of Rusk.	Mendell.
Burton of Tarrant.	Metcalfe.
Cadenhead.	Miller of Dallas.
Canales.	Morris.
Cates.	Murrell.
Clark.	Neeley.
Cope.	Neill.
Cox.	Nichols.
Crudgington.	Nordhaus.
Davis of Dallas.	O'Brien.
Davis of Grimes.	Osborne.
Davis	Parks.
of Van Zandt.	Peddy.
De Bogory.	Peyton.
Denton.	Pillow.
Dodd.	Pope.
Dudley.	Raiden.
Dunnam.	Reeves.
Estes.	Richards.
Fairchild.	Robertson.
Fisher.	Roemer.
Fitzpatrick.	Rogers.
Fly.	Russell.
Greenwood.	Sackett.
Haidusek.	Sallas.
Hardey.	Sentell.
Harris.	Schlesinger.
Hartman.	Scholl.
Hawkins.	Seawright.
Holland.	Sholars.

Smith of Bastrop.	Trayler.
Smith of Hopkins.	Tschoepe.
Spencer of Nolan.	Upchurch.
Spradley.	Valentine.
Stewart.	Veatch.
Strayhorn.	Wahrmund.
Swope.	Walker.
Taylor.	White.
Templeton.	Williams
Terrell.	of Brazoria.
Thomas.	Williams
Thomason	of McLennan.
of El Paso.	Williford.
Thompson	Wilson.
of Hunt.	Woods.
Tillotson.	Woodul.
Tilson.	Yantis.
Tinner.	

Nays—1.

Martin.

Absent.

Butler.	O'Banion.
Carlock.	Po age.
Florer.	Sch lossban.
Hill.	Smith of Scurry.
Johnson.	Thomason
Jones.	of Nacogdoches.
Lacey.	Thompson
Miller of Austin.	of Red River.
Monday.	

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris. Spencer of Wise.
Moore.

Mr. Miller of Dallas moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 123 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 123, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make an emergency appropriation for the cost of construction of a fireproof dormitory; to supplement the present available appropriation for the erection of a power plant, and to provide for the maintenance, support and direction of the summer school at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1917, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—104.

Bagby.	Mendell.
Baker.	Metcalfe.
Beard of Milam.	Miller of Dallas.
Beasley.	Morris.
Beason.	Murrell.
Bedell.	Neeley.
Bell.	Neill.
Blackburn.	Nichols.
Blackmon.	Nordhaus.
Blalock.	O'Brien.
Boner.	Osborne.
Brown.	Parks.
Bryan.	Peddy.
Bryant.	Peyton.
Burton of Rusk.	Pillow.
Burton of Tarrant.	Pope.
Butler.	Reeves.
Canales.	Richards.
Cates.	Robertson.
Clark.	Roemer.
Cope.	Rogers.
Cox.	Russell.
Davis of Dallas.	Sackett.
Davis of Grimes.	Sallas.
Davis	Sentell.
of Van Zandt.	Schlesinger.
De Bogory.	Seawright.
Denton.	Smith of Bastrop.
Dodd.	Smith of Hopkins.
Dudley.	Smith of Scurry.
Dunnam.	Spradley.
Estes.	Stewart.
Fisher.	Strayhorn.
Fitzpatrick.	Swope.
Fly.	Templeton.
Haidusek.	Terrell.
Harris.	Thomas.
Hawkins.	Thomason
Hill.	of El Paso.
Hudspeth.	Thompson
Laas.	of Hunt.
Laney.	Tillotson.
Lange.	Tilson.
Lanier.	Tschoepe.
Lindemann.	Valentine.
Lowe	Wahrmund.
of McMullen.	Walker.
Low	White.
of Washington.	Williams
McComb.	of McLennan.
McDowra.	Williford.
McFarland.	Wilson.
McMillin.	Woods.
Martin.	Woodul.
Meador.	Yantis.

Nays—6.

Bertram.	Raiden.
Cadenhead.	Tinner.
Lee.	Traylor.

Present—Not Voting.

Fairchild.	Veatch.
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Absent.

Bland.	O'Banion.
Bledsoe.	Poage.
Carlock.	Schlosshan.
Crudginton.	Scholl.
Florer.	Sholars.
Greenwood.	Spencer of Nolan.
Hardey.	Taylor.
Hartman.	Thomason
Holland.	of Nacogdoches.
Johnson.	Thompson
Jones.	of Red River.
Lacey.	Upchurch.
McCoy.	Williams
Miller of Austin.	of Brazoria.
Monday.	

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

Mr. Neeley moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 133 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, S. B. No. 133, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation to construct and complete necessary buildings for the new Texas School for the Blind, and to build necessary fences, walks and drives, and to beautify the grounds, and to furnish all necessary apparatus, equipment and furniture, and to pay the expenses of moving in order to have the said school ready for occupancy, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—101.

Bagby.	Canales.
Baker.	Cope.
Beard of Milam.	Cox.
Beasley.	Davis of Dallas.
Beason.	Davis of Grimes.
Bedell.	Davis
Bell.	of Van Zandt.
Bertram.	De Bogory.
Blackmon.	Denton.
Boner.	Dodd.
Brown.	Dudley.
Bryan.	Dunnam.
Bryant.	Estes.
Burton of Rusk.	Fitzpatrick.
Burton of Tarrant.	Fly.
Butler.	Haidusek.
Cadenhead.	Hardey.

Harris.	Russell.
Hawkins.	Sackett.
Holland.	Sentell.
Hudspeth.	Schlesinger.
Laas.	Scholl.
Lange.	Seawright.
Lanier.	Smith of Bastrop.
Lee.	Smith of Hopkins.
Lowe.	Smith of Scurry.
of McMullen.	Spradley.
Low.	Stewart.
of Washington.	Swope.
McComb.	Taylor.
McCoy.	Templeton.
McDowra.	Terrell.
McFarland.	Thomas.
McMillin.	Thomason
Martin.	of El Paso.
Meador.	Thomason
Metcalfe.	of Nacogdoches.
Miller of Dallas.	Thompson
Morris.	of Hunt.
Murrell.	Tillotson.
Neeley.	Tilson.
Neill.	Tinner.
Nichols.	Trayler.
O'Brien.	Tschoepe.
Osborne.	Veatch.
Parks.	Williams
Peddy.	of Brazoria.
Peyton.	Williams
Pillow.	of McLennan.
Pope.	Williford.
Raiden.	Wilson.
Reeves.	Woods.
Richards.	Woodul.
Robertson.	Yantis.
Roemer.	

Present—Not Voting.

Valentine. Walker.

Absent.

Blackburn.	Lindemann.
Blalock.	Mendell.
Bland.	Miller of Austin.
Bledsoe.	Monday.
Carlock.	Nordhaus.
Cates.	O'Banion.
Clark.	Poage.
Crudgington.	Rogers.
Fairchild.	Sallas.
Fisher.	Schlosshan.
Florer.	Sholars.
Greenwood.	Spencer of Nolan.
Hartman.	Strayhorn.
Hill.	Thompson
Johnson.	of Red River.
Jones.	Upchurch.
Lacey.	Wahrmund.
Laney.	White.

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris. Spencer of Wise.
Moore.

Mr. Mendell moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 152 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 152, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize and empower Lamar county or any political subdivision or defined district of said county by a vote of two-thirds majority of the resident property taxpayers, qualified voters of such county or political subdivision or defined district thereof, voting thereon, to issue bonds to any amount not exceeding one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property voters of such county or political subdivision or defined district, and to levy and collect taxes to pay the interest on such bonds and provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof, and for the maintenance of said roads during the life of such bonds for the purpose of construction, maintaining and operating macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, and prescribing ways and means of conducting and supervising said work, and to repeal Chapter 3 of the Special Acts of the Thirty-first Legislature and Chapter 15 of the Special Acts of the Thirty-second Legislature, and all other special road laws for Lamar county, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. McDowra offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Section 3 by adding at end of said section the following: "Provided, that not more than a 50-cent tax on the \$100 shall be levied in the county, subdivision or defined district thereof."

The amendment was adopted.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—117.

Bagby.	Blalock.
Baker.	Bland.
Beard of Milam.	Bledsoe.
Beasley.	Boner.
Beason.	Brown.
Bedell.	Bryan.
Bell.	Bryant.
Bertram.	Burton of Rusk.
Blackmon.	Burton of Tarrant.

Butler.	Osborne.
Cadenhead.	Parks.
Canales.	Peddy.
Cates.	Peyton.
Cope.	Pillow.
Cox.	Pope.
Crudgington.	Raiden.
Davis of Dallas.	Reeves.
Davis of Grimes.	Richards.
Davis	Robertson.
of Van Zandt.	Roemer.
De Bogory.	Rogers.
Denton.	Russell.
Dodd.	Sackett.
Dudley.	Sallas.
Dunnam.	Sentell.
Estes.	Schlesinger.
Fairchild.	Scholl.
Fitzpatrick.	Seawright.
Fly.	Sholars.
Haidusek.	Smith of Bastrop.
Hardey.	Smith of Hopkins.
Harris.	Smith of Scurry.
Hartman.	Spradley.
Hawkins.	Stewart.
Hill.	Strayhorn.
Holland.	Swope.
Hudspeth.	Templeton.
Laas.	Terrell.
Lacey.	Thomas.
Lange.	Thomason
Lanier.	of El Paso.
Lindemann.	Thomason
Lowe	of Nacogdoches.
of McMullen.	Thompson
Low	of Hunt.
of Washington.	Thompson
McComb.	of Red River.
McCoy.	Tillotson.
McDowra.	Tilson.
McFarland.	Trayler.
McMillin.	Tschoepe.
Martin.	Valentine.
Meador.	Veatch.
Mendell.	Walker.
Metcalfe.	Williams
Miller of Dallas.	of Brazoria.
Morris.	Williams
Murrell.	of McLennan.
Neeley.	Williford.
Neill.	Wilson.
Nichols.	Woods.
Nordhaus.	Woodul.
O'Brien.	Yantis.

Absent.

Blackburn.	Monday.
Carlock.	O'Banion.
Clark.	Poage.
Fisher.	Schlosshan.
Florer.	Spencer of Nolan.
Greenwood.	Taylor.
Johnson.	Tinner.
Jones.	Upchurch.
Laney.	Wahrmund.
Lee.	White.
Miller of Austin.	

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

SENATE BILL NO. 203 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, S. B. No. 203, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make an emergency appropriation to construct and equip a fire-proof dormitory, complete the administration building, and to provide summer support for the College of Industrial Arts, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

(Mr. Mendell in the chair.)

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—109.

Bagby.	Hartman.
Baker.	Hawkins.
Beard of Milam.	Hill.
Beasley.	Holland.
Beason.	Hudspeth.
Bedell.	Laas.
Bell.	Laney.
Blackburn.	Lange.
Blackmon.	Lanier.
Blalock.	Low
Bland.	of Washington.
Boner.	McCoy.
Brown.	McDowra.
Bryan.	McMillin.
Bryant.	Martin.
Burton of Rusk.	Meador.
Burton of Tarrant.	Mendell.
Butler.	Metcalfe.
Canales.	Miller of Dallas.
Cates.	Morris.
Cope.	Murrell.
Cox.	Neeley.
Crudgington.	Nichols.
Davis of Dallas.	Nordhaus.
Davis of Grimes.	O'Brien.
Davis	Osborne.
of Van Zandt.	Parks.
De Bogory.	Peddy.
Denton.	Peyton.
Dodd.	Pope.
Dudley.	Raiden.
Dunnam.	Reeves.
Estes.	Richards.
Fairchild.	Robertson.
Fisher.	Roemer.
Fitzpatrick.	Rogers.
Fly.	Russell.
Haidusek.	Sackett.
Hardey.	Sallas.
Harris.	

Schlesinger.	Thompson
Scholl.	of Red River.
Seawright.	Tillotson.
Sentell.	Tilson.
Smith of Bastrop.	Trayler.
Smith of Hopkins.	Tschoepe.
Smith of Scurry.	Valentine.
Spradley.	Veatch.
Stewart.	Walker.
Strayhorn.	White.
Swope.	Williams
Taylor.	of Brazoria.
Templeton.	Williams
Terrell.	of McLennan.
Thomas.	Williford.
Thomason	Wilson.
of El Paso.	Woods.
Thomason	Yantis.
of Nacogdoches.	
Thompson	
of Hunt.	

Nays—3.

Bertram.	Neill.
Cadenhead.	

Present—Not Voting.

McComb.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Miller of Austin.
Carlock.	Monday.
Clark.	O'Banion.
Florer.	Pillow.
Greenwood.	Poage.
Johnson.	Schlosshan.
Jones.	Sholars.
Lacey.	Spencer of Nolan.
Lee.	Tinner.
Lindemann.	Upchurch.
Lowe	Wahrmund.
of McMullen.	Woodul.
McFarland.	

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

Mr. Miller of Dallas moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 211 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, S. B. No. 211, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Crockett Independent School District in Houston county, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district; divesting

the city of Crockett of the control of its public free schools, and the title of all property now held and used for public school purposes; investing said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the general laws; creating the trustees of said independent school district as a board of equalization thereof, and conferring upon them powers, and so forth, given by the general laws, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 214 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 214, A bill to be entitled "An Act making emergency appropriation for the support and maintenance of West Texas Normal College to augment the money heretofore appropriated for the regular term of 1917, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—101.

Bagby.	Fitzpatrick.
Baker.	Fly.
Beasley.	Haidusek.
Beason.	Harris.
Bell.	Hartman.
Blackburn.	Hawkins.
Blackmon.	Hill.
Blalock.	Hudspeth.
Boner.	Laas.
Brown.	Lacey.
Bryan.	Laney.
Burton of Rusk.	Lange.
Butler.	Lanier.
Canales.	Lee.
Cates.	Low
Clark.	of Washington.
Cope.	McComb.
Cox.	McCoy.
Crudgington.	McDowra.
Davis of Dallas.	McMillin.
Davis of Grimes.	Martin.
Davis	Meador.
of Van Zandt.	Mendell.
De Bogory.	Miller of Dallas.
Denton.	Morris.
Dodd.	Murrell.
Dudley.	Neeley.
Dunnam.	Nichols.
Estes.	Nordhaus.
Fairchild.	Osborne.
Fisher.	Parks.

Peyton.	Thomas.
Pope.	Thomason
Raiden.	of El Paso.
Richards.	Thomason
Robertson.	of Nacogdoches.
Roemer.	Thompson
Russell.	of Hunt.
Sackett.	Thompson
Sallas.	of Red River.
Schlesinger.	Tillotson.
Scholl.	Tilson.
Seawright.	Trayler.
Sentell.	Tschoepe.
Sholars.	Valentine.
Smith of Bastrop.	Walker.
Smith of Hopkins.	White.
Smith of Scurry.	Williams
Spradley.	of McLennan.
Stewart.	Williford.
Swope.	Wilson.
Taylor.	Woods.
Templeton.	Woodul.
Terrell.	Yantis.

Nays—3.

Bertram.	O'Brien.
Neill.	

Present—Not Voting.

Rogers.	Veatch.
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Absent.

Beard of Milam.	McFarland.
Bedell.	Metcalfe.
Bland.	Miller of Austin.
Bledsoe.	Monday.
Bryant.	O'Banion.
Burton of Tarrant.	Peddy.
Cadenhead.	Pillow.
Carlock.	Poage.
Florer.	Reeves.
Greenwood.	Schlosshan.
Hardey.	Spencer of Nolan.
Holland.	Strayhorn.
Johnson.	Tinner.
Jones.	Upchurch.
Lindemann.	Wahrmund.
Lowe	Williams
of McMullen.	of Brazoria.

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

Mr. Tilson moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate con-

curs in the amendments to Senate bill No. 71.

And has passed the following bill:

S. B. No. 159, A bill to be entitled "An Act to appropriate out of the general revenue not heretofore appropriated the sum of \$25,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the remainder of the fiscal year ending August 31, 1917, and the further sum of \$45,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1918, to defray the expenses of the Department of the State Health Officer of the State of Texas in intensive rural health work and rural sanitation leading to the prevention and eradication of malaria, hookworm, typhoid fever, and other contagious diseases in the State of Texas; authorizing the State Health Officer to supplement therefrom an amount equal to an amount appropriated or set aside by any county, or city or town therein, for such purposes; also authorizing the State Health Officer to accept donations from any source to supplement such fund, or funds, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

G. H. BOYNTON,

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

SENATE BILL NO. 217 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 217, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 155 of the Acts of the Thirty-fourth Legislature; reorganizing the Seventy-fifth Judicial District of Texas; adding thereto the county of Tyler, and removing said county from the First Judicial District of Texas; fixing the time of holding court in the said Seventy-fifth Judicial District and the Ninth Judicial District; repealing by omitting from this act parts of Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of said acts so amended, and repealing entirely Sections 6, 7, 8 and 9 of said act so amended, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—105.

Bagby.
Baker.

Beasley.
Beason.

Bedell.	Miller of Dallas.
Bell.	Morris.
Bertram.	Murrell.
Blackburn.	Neeley.
Blackmon.	Neill.
Blalock.	Nichols.
Bland.	O'Brien.
Boner.	Osborne.
Brown.	Parks.
Bryan.	Peddy.
Burton of Rusk.	Peyton.
Butler.	Pope.
Canales.	Raiden.
Cates.	Reeves.
Clark.	Richards.
Cope.	Robertson.
Cox.	Russell.
Crudgington.	Sackett.
Davis of Dallas.	Sallas.
Davis of Grimes.	Sentell.
Davis	Scholl.
of Van Zandt.	Seawright.
De Bogory.	Sholars.
Denton.	Smith of Bastrop.
Dodd.	Smith of Hopkins.
Dudley.	Smith of Scurry.
Dunnam.	Spradley.
Estes.	Stewart.
Fisher.	Swope.
Fly.	Templeton.
Haidusek.	Terrell.
Hardey.	Thomas.
Harris.	Thomason
Hartman.	of El Paso.
Hawkins.	Thomason
Hill.	of Nacogdoches.
Holland.	Thompson
Laas.	of Hunt.
Lacey.	Thompson
Laney.	of Red River.
Lange.	Tillotson.
Lanier.	Tilson.
Lee.	Trayler.
Low	Tschoepe.
of Washington.	Valentine.
McComb.	Veatch.
McCoy.	Walker.
McDowra.	White.
McFarland.	Williams
McMillin.	of McLennan.
Martin.	Williford.
Meador.	Woods.
Mendell.	Woodul.
Metcalf.	Yantis.

Present—Not Voting.

Roemer.	Taylor.
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Absent.

Beard of Milam.	Fairchild.
Bledsoe.	Fitzpatrick.
Bryant.	Florer.
Burton of Tarrant.	Greenwood.
Cadenhead.	Hudspeth.
Carlock.	Johnson.

Jones.	Schlesinger.
Lindemann.	Schlosshan.
Lowe	Spencer of Nolan.
of McMullen.	Strayhorn.
Miller of Austin.	Tinner.
Monday.	Upchurch.
Nordhaus.	Wahrmund.
O'Banion.	Williams
Pillow.	of Brazoria.
Poage.	Wilson.
Rogers.	

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

Mr. Beason moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL ON FIRST READING.

Senate bill No. 150, received from the Senate today, was laid before the House, read first time, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 250 ON ENGROSSMENT.

The Speaker laid before the House, as postponed business, on its passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 250, A bill to be entitled "An Act supplementing the act creating a Live Stock Sanitary Commission for the State of Texas as defined and described in Article 7312, Revised Civil Statutes, and providing for the further protection of the live stock industry of States Bureau of Animal Industry, or to move domestic animals out of quarantine territory without a written permit, or to fail or refuse to permit the inspection of domestic animals, and prescribing penalties therefor; this act to be cumulative of the act creating a Live Stock Sanitary Commission, as provided for in Article 7312, Revised Civil Statutes; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

With (committee) amendments offered by Mr. Metcalfe on Monday, February 5th, pending.

Question—Shall the (committee) amendments be adopted?

On motion of Mr. Metcalfe, further consideration of the bill was postponed until 10 o'clock a. m. next Tuesday, February 13th.

HOUSE BILL NO. 48 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Metcalfe, by unanimous consent, the regular order of busi-

ness was suspended, to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 48, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the protection of stock raisers, farmers and horticulturists; providing for the destruction of wolves and other wild animals; to make an appropriation therefor; to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Metcalfe offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend the bill, page 3, Section 7, by striking out from the bill all of Section 7.

Amend the bill, Section 1, page 1, so as to read as follows:

"That hereafter when any person shall kill in this State any wolf, wild cat or jack rabbit he shall be paid the sum of \$2 for each wolf, and \$1 for each wild cat, and 5 cents for each jack rabbit so killed."

The (committee) amendments were adopted.

Mr. Harris offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 48, Section 5, line 18 (in lieu of committee amendment No. 1, page 4, lines 13 to 16, inclusive), by striking out all after the word "trapping" and insert in lieu thereof the words "in any enclosure less than 2000 acres, but may be permitted to trap in pastures over that amount provided they shall not carry firearms into such enclosure, and anyone caught with firearms in such enclosure for the purpose of trapping shall be fined in any sum not less than \$25."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Tilson offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 48 in Section 3, line 28, by striking out after the word "burn" "the same," and insert the following: "All jack rabbit scalps; and shall split each ear of all wolf and wild cat scalps."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Tilson offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 48, Section 3, lines 31, and 32, by striking out the words "both ears must be absolutely whole" and insert the following: "Except such cut, split or defect that may have been caused in shooting, trapping or killing the animal."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Woodul offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 48, page 1, line 22, Section 2, after the word "animals," by adding "and such affidavit shall, when demanded by the county commissioners court, be accompanied by a certificate signed by the owner or lessee of the land upon which said animal or animals were killed to the effect that such animals were killed upon such land."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Raiden offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 48, page 2, lines 21 and 22, by striking out "\$100,000" wherever it occurs and insert in lieu thereof "\$50,000."

Mr. Miller of Dallas moved the previous question on the amendment and the engrossment of the bill, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—20.

Beard of Milam.	Murrell.
Bedell.	Neill.
Bertram.	Peddy.
Davis of Dallas.	Raiden.
Johnson.	Rogers.
Lacey.	Sentell.
Lee.	Seawright.
McCoy.	Smith of Hopkins.
McDowra.	Veatch.
Meador.	Walker.

Nays—91.

Bagby.	Dodd.
Baker.	Dudley.
Beasley.	Fairchild.
Beason.	Fisher.
Bell.	Greenwood.
Blackburn.	Haidusek.
Blackmon.	Hardey.
Blalock.	Harris.
Bland.	Hartman.
Bledsoe.	Hawkins.
Boner.	Hudspeth.
Brown.	Laas.
Bryan.	Lange.
Butler.	Lanier.
Cadenhead.	Lindemann.
Canales.	Low
Clark.	of Washington.
Cope.	McComb.
Cox.	McFarland.
Crudgington.	McMillin.
Davis of Grimes.	Martin.
Davis	Mendell.
of Van Zandt.	Metcalfe.
De Bogory.	Miller of Dallas.

Monday.	Templeton.
Morris.	Thomas.
Neeley.	Thomason
Nichols.	of El Paso.
Nordhaus.	Thomason
O'Brien.	of Nacogdoches.
Osborne.	Thompson
Parks.	of Hunt.
Peyton.	Thompson
Pillow.	of Red River.
Reeves.	Tillotson.
Richards.	Tilson.
Robertson.	Tschoepe.
Roemer.	Upchurch.
Russell.	Valentine.
Sackett.	White.
Sallas.	Williams
Scholl.	of Brazoria.
Sholars.	Williams
Smith of Bastrop.	of McLennan.
Smith of Scurry.	Williford.
Spencer of Nolan.	Wilson.
Spradley.	Woods.
Stewart.	Woodul.
Swope.	Yantis.
Taylor.	

Present—Not Voting.

Burton of Rusk.

Absent.

Bryant.	Lowe
Burton of Tarrant.	of McMullen.
Carlock.	Miller of Austin.
Cates.	O'Banion.
Denton.	Poage.
Dunnam.	Pope.
Estes.	Schlesinger.
Fitzpatrick.	Schlosshan.
Florer.	Strayhorn.
Fly.	Terrell.
Hill.	Tinner.
Holland.	Trayler.
Jones.	Wahrmund.
Laney.	

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

House bill No. 48 was then passed to engrossment.

Mr. Metcalfe moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

(Speaker in the chair.)

HOUSE BILL NO. 202 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, H. B. No. 202, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to amend Article 303, Title 7, Chapter 2, of the Revised Criminal Statutes (1911) of Texas, specifically defining the articles or service that may be sold or rendered on Sunday, as exceptions from the operation of the preceding articles of said chapter, providing that incorporated cities and towns may by ordinance regulate or prohibit such sales or service, and providing penalties."

The bill was read third time.

Question—Shall the bill be passed?

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—62.

Bell.	Monday.
Blackburn.	Morris.
Bland.	Neeley.
Brown.	Nichols.
Burton of Tarrant.	Nordhaus.
Canales.	O'Brien.
Cates.	Osborne.
Cox.	Parks.
Davis of Grimes.	Peddy.
De Bogory.	Pillow.
Denton.	Pope.
Dudley.	Robertson.
Dunnam.	Roemer.
Fisher.	Sackett.
Florer.	Schlesinger.
Greenwood.	Scholl.
Haidusek.	Sholars.
Hardey.	Spencer of Nolan.
Harris.	Spradley.
Hartman.	Swope.
Hudspeth.	Taylor.
Johnson.	Thompson
Laas.	of Red River.
Laney.	Tillotson.
Lange.	Tschoepe.
Low	Valentine.
of Washington.	Walker.
McComb.	White.
McFarland.	Williams
Martin.	of Brazoria.
Meador.	Williams
Metcalfe.	of McLennan.
Miller of Dallas.	Woodul.

Nays—56.

Baker.	Cope.
Beard of Milam.	Crudgington.
Beasley.	Davis of Dallas.
Bedell.	Davis
Bertram.	of Van Zandt.
Blackmon.	Dodd.
Blalock.	Fly.
Boner.	Hawkins.
Bryan.	Lacey.
Burton of Rusk.	Lanier.
Butler.	Lee.
Cadenhead.	Lindemann.
Clark.	McCoy.

McDowra.	Stewart.
McMillin.	Templeton.
Mendell.	Terrell.
Murrell.	Thomas.
Neill.	Thomason
Peyton.	of Nacogdoches.
Raiden.	Thompson
Reeves.	of Hunt.
Richards.	Tilson.
Rogers.	Tinner.
Russell.	Traylor.
Sallas.	Upchurch.
Sentell.	Veatch.
Seawright.	Williford.
Smith of Bastrop.	Wilson.
Smith of Hopkins.	Yantis.
Smith of Scurry.	

Present—Not Voting.

Bagby.	Beason.
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Absent.

Bledsoe.	Miller of Austin.
Bryant.	O'Banion.
Carlock.	Poage.
Estes.	Schlosshan.
Fairchild.	Strayhorn.
Fitzpatrick.	Thomason
Hill.	of El Paso.
Holland.	Wahrmund.
Jones.	Woods.
Lowe	
of McMullen.	

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris.	Spencer of Wise.
Moore.	

Mr. Nichols moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 226 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, H. B. No. 226, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the purpose of promoting and improving the development of the country schools of the State by the appropriation of one million dollars each year, or such part thereof as may be necessary, for the next two fiscal years ending August 31, 1918, and 1919, respectively, by allowing the State Board of Education to aid any one school in any sum not exceeding five hundred dollars in any one year, and providing that schools receiving such aid be located and constructed in a certain way and having certain and necessary equipment, and providing for the employment

of competent teachers; and said act further providing that no school having over three hundred scholastics shall receive such aid, and providing that schools receiving such aid shall have had certain percentages of attendance with exceptions, and providing said schools shall levy a local school tax of not less than fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation, and providing course of study for such country schools, and setting aside fifty thousand dollars of the appropriation annually for the relief of backward districts and giving the State Board of Education power to establish rules and regulations for the organization of such country schools and otherwise carrying out the intentions of this act, and defining the powers of the State Board of Education, and providing for assistants to the State Superintendent to be known as rural school supervisors, and providing for reports to be made to the State Board of Education, and providing for the manner of payment and disbursement of all money granted under the provisions of this act, and providing said schools can accept the benefits of this act without waiving the benefits and privileges of other laws, and providing certain funds for the payment of rural school supervisors and their traveling expenses, 'repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency.'

The bill was read third time and was passed.

Mr. Fly moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following bill:

H. B. No. 597, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Thirty-second, Thirty-ninth and Seventieth Judicial Districts so as to declare what counties compose the Thirty-second, Thirty-ninth and Seventieth Judicial Districts; to fix the time for holding court in the various counties of said districts; to make all process issued to serve before this act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds, returnable to the terms of

court as herein fixed and continuing in office judges and district attorneys in each of said districts; to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

G. H. BOYNTON,

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

HOUSE BILL NO. 231 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 231, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 900, Title 10, of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas of 1911, so as to make bail bonds good in all criminal cases until verdict for judgment and until the defendant is taken in custody by the sheriff, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 289 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 289, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the return of pension warrants where the pensioner dies during the quarter for which the warrant was issued, the cancellation of the same, and the issuance of a mortuary warrant to pay the funeral expenses of the deceased pensioner, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—104.

Baker.	Cox.
Beard of Milam.	Crudgington.
Beasley.	Davis of Dallas.
Bedell.	Davis of Grimes.
Bell.	Davis
Bertram.	of Van Zandt.
Blackburn.	De Bogory.
Blackmon.	Dodd.
Blalock.	Dudley.
Bland.	Dunnam.
Bledsoe.	Fisher.
Boner.	Fitzpatrick.
Brown.	Florer.
Bryan.	Greenwood.
Burton of Rusk.	Haidusek.
Butler.	Hardey.
Cadenhead.	Harris.
Canales.	Hartman.
Clark.	Hawkins.
Cope.	Hudspeth.

Johnson.	Schlesinger.
Laas.	Scholl.
Lacey.	Seawright.
Laney.	Sholars.
Lange.	Smith of Bastrop.
Lanier.	Smith of Hopkins.
Lindemann.	Smith of Scurry.
Low.	Spradley.
of Washington.	Stewart.
McComb.	Taylor.
McCoy.	Templeton.
McDowra.	Thomason
McMillin.	of Nacogdoches.
Martin.	Thompson
Meador.	of Hunt.
Mendell.	Thompson
Metcalf.	of Red River.
Miller of Dallas.	Tilson.
Morris.	Tinner.
Murrell.	Trayler.
Neeley.	Tschoepe.
Neill.	Upchurch.
Nichols.	Valentine.
Nordhaus.	Veatch.
O'Brien.	Walker.
Osborne.	White.
Parks.	Williams
Peddy.	of Brazoria.
Peyton.	Williams
Reeves.	of McLennan.
Richards.	Williford.
Robertson.	Wilson.
Roemer.	Woods.
Russell.	Woodul.
Sallas.	Yantis.
Sentell.	

Nays—2.

Lee. Terrell.

Present—Not Voting.

Bagby. Beason.

Absent.

Bryant.	O'Banion.
Burton of Tarrant.	Pillow.
Carlock.	Poage.
Cates.	Pope.
Denton.	Raiden.
Estes.	Rogers.
Fairchild.	Sackett.
Fly.	Schlosshan.
Hill.	Spencer of Nolan.
Holland.	Strayhorn.
Jones.	Swope.
Lowe.	Thomas.
of McMullen.	Thomason
McFarland.	of El Paso.
Miller of Austin.	Tillotson.
Monday.	Wahrmund.

Absent—Excused.

Beard of Harris. Spencer of Wise.
Moore.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Reeves, the House, at 5:30 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 8, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Game and Fisheries, to whom was referred House Concurrent Resolution No. 7, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

BAKER, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 8, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Game and Fisheries, to whom was referred House bill No. 527, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with committee amendment. Mr. Beason has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

BAKER, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 227, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

MENDELL, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON REVENUE AND TAXATION.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 8, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Revenue

and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 105, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with amendment. Mr. Hawkins has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

CRUDGINGTON, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 278, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with amendments, and that said bill be not printed. Mr. Williams of Brazoria has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

CRUDGINGTON, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 2, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 153, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with amendment. Mr. Pope has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

CRUDGINGTON, Vice-Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS, BRIDGES AND FERRIES.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill No. 542, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

LEE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill No. 543, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed

to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

BLAND, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill No. 536, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

LEE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 251, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass with amendments.

BLAND, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 9, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill No. 573, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass with amendments.

LEE, Vice-Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 597, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Thirty-second, Thirty-ninth and Seventieth Judicial Districts so as to declare what counties compose the Thirty-second, Thirty-ninth and Seventieth Judicial Districts; to fix the time for holding court in the various counties of said district; to make all process issued to serve before this act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds return-

able to the terms of court as herein fixed and continuing in office judges and district attorneys in each of said districts; to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

DENTON, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred House bill No. 590, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Stewart has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

WOODUL, Chairman.

TWENTY-FIFTH DAY.

(Saturday, February 10, 1917.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Bagby.	Davis
Baker.	of Van Zandt.
Beard of Milam.	De Bogory.
Beasley.	Denton.
Bedell.	Dodd.
Bell.	Dudley.
Bertram.	Dunnam.
Blackburn.	Estes.
Blackmon.	Fairchild.
Blalock.	Fisher.
Bland.	Fitzpatrick.
Bledsoe.	Fly.
Boner.	Greenwood.
Brown.	Haidusek.
Bryan.	Hardey.
Bryant.	Harris.
Burton of Rusk.	Hartman.
Burton of Tarrant.	Hawkins.
Butler.	Hill.
Cadenhead.	Johnson.
Canales.	Laas.
Carlock.	Lacey.
Cates.	Laney.
Clark.	Lanier.
Cope.	Lee.
Cox.	Lindemann.
Crudgington.	Low
Davis of Dallas.	of Washington.
Davis of Grimes.	McComb.